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SUBJECT: 24TH UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL: AGENDA ITEM 3
UNDP ASSISTANCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES (AFRICAN
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS)

1. IN PLENARY DISCUSSIONS OF THIS AGENDA ITEM, AND OF UNDP
DOCUMENT DP/271, THE DELEGATION MAY MAKE STATEMENTS ALONG
THE FOLLOWING LINES:

- (A) UNDP ASSISTANCE, CARRIED OUT ON BEHALF OF THE
AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE OAU,
PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY DIRECTION AND DECISIONS OF THE
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UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL, HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE U.S.

- (B) WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE
UN SYSTEM TO CARRY OUT APPROPRIATE TRAINING, EDUCATIONAL,
HEALTH AND RELATED SERVICES ON BEHALF OF AFRICAN PEOPLES
ON THEIR WAY TO SELF-GOVERNMENT. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT
THESE PEOPLE HAVE LEADERSHIP CADRE PREPARED TO FILL KEY

POSITIONS IN GOVERNMENT AND THE ECONOMY, NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.

- (C) THE U.S. SUPPORTED ALLOCATION OF DOLS 6 MILLION IN IPF FUNDS FOR THE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 1977-81, AND CONGRATULATES THE SECRETARIAT ON THE PROGRESS MADE IN IDENTIFYING AND FUNDING GOOD PROJECTS.
- (D) WE ARE PARTICULARLY GRATIFIED WITH THE SUPPORT WHICH UNDP HAS PROVIDED TO THE INSTITUTE FOR NAMIBIA AND NOTE THAT THE U.S.HAS ALSO CONTRIBUTED DIRECTLY TO ASSIST THIS IMPORTANT INSTITUTION IN LUSAKA.
- (E) THE ADMINISTRATION IS TO BE CONGRATULATED ON THE DOCUMENT DP/271 AND BE ENCOURAGED TO REPORT FULLY TO FUTURE COUNCILS INCLUDING REPORTS OF EVALUATION OF RESULTS OF PROJECT ACTIVITY.

2. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE UNDP ADMINISTRATION, THE DELEGATION MAY REITERATE OUR CONTINUING CONCERN THAT UNDP ASSISTANCE TO THE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS BE UNDER CAREFUL CONTROL OF THE SEVERAL EXECUTING AGENCIES (E.G. UNESCO, UNICEF, ETC.). WITH THE ASSURANCE OF THE UNDP ADMINISTRATION WE HAVE TOLD CONGRESS THAT THE UNDP DOES NOT PROVIDE "CASH SUPPORT" TO THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

3. FYI. THE DELEGATION IS REMINDED OF THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUED USE OF THE COMPLETE PHRASE "AFRICAN LIBERATION
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MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE OAU" IN ANY DECISION BY THE COUNCIL AND IN SESSION RECORDS, TO PRECLUDE ATTEMPTS TO BRING THE PLO UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF UNDP ASSISTANCE TO LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

4. DELEGATION IS REQUESTED TO CABLE COMPLETE TEXTS OF SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED DRAFT DECISIONS ON THIS QUESTION FOR DEPARTMENT REVIEW, TOGETHER WITH FULL REPORTING OF ANY EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE PLO. CHRISTOPHER

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